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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 27, 2005, Applicants hereby elect Species A, claims 1-15, drawn to a fixing device with a plurality of coils, for prosecution in the subject application.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims. Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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